

### Demolition Recommended for Geneva Towers



By far the tallest buildings in Visitation Valley for more than 25 years, the twin 20-story Geneva Towers at Sunnydale Ave. and Schwerin St. could soon be replaced with normal-size housing.

### Residents Would be Assisted in Moving, Finding New Homes

Just one month after appearing on national television as the lead feature of a popular primetime news show, recommendations for the disposition of the long-debated Geneva Towers was announced by the HUD and approved by the City. They should be demolished and replaced by low-rise housing.

For the 321 residents currently residing in the twin 20-story towers at Sunnydale Ave. and Schwerin St. who were made aware of the plan September 8, HUD would provide Section 8 vouchers for those who are income-eligible, relocation assistance in suitable new homes, and funds to cover moving expenses. Tenants would continue to pay the same rent - 30 percent of their income - once moved to new quarters, which will not be public housing.

"These promises will be put on paper for you to have and to hold the City and federal government accountable," said HUD Regional Director Art Agnos to those attending a September 19 meeting of the Visitation Valley Task Force. "It's important to note Geneva Towers was never public housing and (it's proposed replacement) will never become public housing."

He told the audience that although plans to rehabilitate Geneva Towers had been initially considered, the prohibitive overall cost of their improvement, coupled with an insufficient amount of rents and a majority of surrounding neighbors' requests for their removal, led HUD to its decision. Agnos also stressed that the current plan was still in a preliminary stage that could be revised to fit the needs of the community.

**INEFFECTIVE**  
According to recently released documents, a comprehensive property analysis of Geneva Towers - acquired by HUD on June 6, 1991 - concludes

one of the primary reasons for its ineffectiveness was due to an exceedingly high concentration of family housing units on a small site. Repair and operation of the property would also require rents to exceed the maximum allowed.

Other problems cited in the report include: very high operating costs, security problems, lack of on-site amenities for families, neighborhood problems, poor management, design flaws and physical problems - many of which cannot be corrected.

It states that Geneva Towers should not be preserved as rental/cooperative housing affordable for low-to-moderate income families because "cost of rehab is such that the monthly debt service to amortize the costs of rehab, operating expenses, and a reasonable return to the purchaser could not be provided with rents that are within 144 percent (maximum allowed) of the most recently published Section 8 Fair Market Rent for new construction and substantial rehabilitation."

Geneva Towers was also found to have major structural inadequacies. Constructed of post-tensioned concrete slab, some of the load bearing walls do not extend to the foundations, thereby decreasing overall seismic strength. Meeting only 50 percent of the current seismic code requirements, an engineering evaluation concluded that even with substantial rehabilitation, seismic repairs at an estimated cost of \$3.7 million - with limited options due to both towers' designs - would bring the buildings only up to 80 percent of current code, and still subject to extensive damage during an earthquake.

Also stressed in the report were the buildings' serious physical deterioration and insurmountable fire safety. Many major Geneva Towers building systems - including: elevators, heating, ventilation, plumbing and electrical systems; as well as windows, doors, appliances, cabinets, and roofing - have reached the end of their useful life, needing complete overhaul or replacement of up to \$50 million, in danger of costly overruns due to currently

unknown contingencies.

"For example," stated one document, "the number of elevators is insufficient for the number of users, and would require four new cars. In addition to the complete overhaul of the existing six cars, if the two towers were retained for families. There are only three relatively small elevators in each building servicing almost 300 units. The lack of a freight elevator or large passenger cabs hampers the evacuation of people on gurneys."

Even with rehabilitation, the high rise structures enhance adverse wind conditions that exist in the valley, promoting adverse fire-fighting conditions.

Receiving a conditional use waiver from zoning requirements when originally designed and opened in 1966 for middle income couples and singles, Geneva Towers' developer was unable to obtain conventional financing and resorted to FHA mortgage insurance, which saw the property become subsidized family housing.

For 23 years while under private ownership, the buildings were allowed to deteriorate, despite HUD funding through the Section 8 program. HUD foreclosed on the 4.6 acre property three years ago and immediately began to clear rubble and make repairs. Approximately \$200,000 a month is now spent on security alone.

Geneva Towers was featured August 11 on Eye to Eye with Connie Chung, which saw the popular CBS anchorwoman strolling the grounds and discussing the complex's stringent security measures - cameras, security guards, and a large steel fence circling the perimeter of the property - with two groups of residents having opposite views of their treatment. Nevertheless, crime in the buildings has reportedly decreased 90 percent.

**COMMUNITY DISCUSSIONS**  
HUD originally initiated a series of community meetings to discuss options for the future of Geneva Towers. Meetings were held with residents, Geneva Terrace neighbors and the Visitation Valley community at large. In all groups, an option to demolish Geneva Towers generated the most positive support, as long as replacement housing was constructed for existing residents.

Last March, HUD requested - and Mayor Frank Jordan agreed - that a Visitation Valley Task Force (VUTF) be formed to consider six options for Geneva Towers, along with a number of community uplift proposals for the neighborhood.

VUTF issued its report in June, recommending Option 6 - demolish both towers and rebuild low-rise family housing on the site, and family and senior housing on a nearby lot - as well as numerous uplift ideas for the neighborhood.

**UNDERSTANDING**  
Both HUD and the Mayor's Office have prepared a memorandum of understanding.

### SFPD Muni Unit Increases Patrols

Inglewood Station school patrol officers are busy working closely with the new SFPD Muni Transit Unit - headed by Capt. Richard Hessler - which has doubled in size to handle increased community complaints of crimes on Muni. Special attention will be paid to bus transfer locations, where after-school problems - fighting and graffiti - have been occurring.

### Local Residents Want Better Books, Longer Hours at Valley Library

Local residents attending a public hearing at the Valley Branch for the S.F. Public Library's Preservation Fund September 1 echoed sentiments of other recently-pollled library users around the City. They would like to see an increase in books and materials, and more service hours - preferably on weekends.

"We need more books in different research areas for kids to do projects," commented Vincent Chao, principal of Visitation Valley Elementary School whose students often use the facility at 45 Leland Ave. to complete homework assignments. Chao also cited the need for biographical and entertaining books, as well as multi-lingual works to serve the area's diverse readership.

Originally open 20 hours a week Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, with additional Saturday afternoon hours later added through Children's Amendment Funding, most at the meeting agreed weekend hours - especially of Sundays - would be ideal for working parents to attend the library with their children.

Two surveys by the S.F. Library - a clipboard study at each of the City's 27 branch libraries and the Main, and a telephone poll interviewing 1,200 respondents - were recently conducted to meet requirements of Proposition E - establishing a library preservation fund - which passed last June with 70 percent voter approval.

In preference of hours, Saturday afternoons and weekday evenings drew largest favorable responses, with Sunday

day mornings the least-preferred time residents would use their libraries.

Services for seniors drew highest responses in service preferences, as did access to computer databases, with services for adults making the least impact.

In the all-important category of Hours, Services and Books, 83.1 percent of residents responded that an increase in books and materials was very important, with 62.8 percent stressing increased weekend hours, 56.4 percent increased services and 54.7 percent desiring evening hours.

Respondents would most often use their branch libraries on Wednesday evenings - more than any other night - feeling branches should close at 9 p.m.

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### Local ESL Classes Requested at Meeting

Having gathered a few hundred signatures from local Asian residents desiring a strategically-located ESL class re-established in the neighborhood, Marlene Tran, an ESL instructor for 22 years, requested a letter of support from fellow Visitation Valley Task Force members at their September 19 meeting. Noting nearly half of the Valley's residents were of Asian descent - many with little or no English skills - Tran suggested the Visitation Valley Community Center at 50 Raymond Ave. an ideal location for classes to be held.

### Wilson High Student Awarded Medal

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, NY recently announced names of high school students awarded its Rensselaer Medal, with one award going to Silvia J. Sweidan of Woodrow Wilson High School.

Rensselaer has awarded its medal since 1916 to high school juniors chosen by their schools as top students in science and mathematics, presented at more than 2,450 high schools in North America, South America, Europe and Asia. Medal winners are chosen by their school's program coordinators with 2,021 medals awarded last school year.

An international leader in the development of new, interactive approaches to undergraduate education, Rensselaer attracts students around the

world for technology-oriented programs in five schools: Engineering, Science, Management, Architecture, and Humanities and Social Sciences. It is considered an international leader in a range of fields, including: electrical and computer engineering; robotics, industrial and applied mathematics; materials engineering; lighting research; technical communication; and management and technology.

Founded in 1824, Rensselaer is the nation's oldest degree-granting technological university with 4,300 undergraduate and 2,200 graduate students.

US News and World Report has consistently ranked Rensselaer among the top 50 national universities in the country, listing its graduate engineering program among the top 15.

### City Guides Having Neighborhood Month

Alert to speculators in shoe-repair futures: November promises to be a big month in resale activity throughout the Bay Area.

That's because October is Neighborhood Month for San Francisco City Guides, a group of volunteers who will offer nearly 125 walks along the sidewalks of the City.

Last October, more than 3,000 walkers joined informal City Guides for lively and anecdotal strolls through the history, architecture and folklore of neighborhoods both famous and infamous.

A group of 185 volunteers, City Guides is sponsored by Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, and this year's schedule will offer nearly 40 different walks with titles like: Brothels, Bordellohouses and Bawds; Literary North Beach; (Downtown) Root Gardens and Open Spaces; Walk the Waterfront; Pacific Heights Mansions; Telegraph Hill Hike; Cottage Row and its Victorian Sisters, and the Presidio

Grounds

All tours are free. Printed schedules are available at all branch libraries as well as the S.F. Convention and Visitors Bureau/Visitor Center in Hallidie Plaza, Market and Powell Sts.

A free tour schedule can also be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: City Guides c/o Friends of the S.F. Public Library, Main Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, CA 94102.

City Guides offers about 20 free year-round walks - rain or shine - with expanded schedules in Neighborhood Months May and October.

In addition to sponsorship by the Friends of the S.F. Public Library, City Guides is supported by grants from the George Frederick Jewett Foundation, Grants for the Arts of the S.F. Hotel Tax Fund, Sheraton Palace Hotel, Independent S.F. businesses and voluntary donations from people who take City Guides walks.

### Statewide Video Education Program Will Improve Government Teaching

In conjunction with California State University at Sacramento, the State Assembly recently launched the Legischool Project, a statewide video education program that could have a significant impact on the way high school students will study legislative and political processes of state government. It will engage high school students in dialogue and debate about very real issues and problems which affect all Californians.

Drawing upon the Assembly's video archives of unedited legislative programming, the Legischool Project will oversee production of a videotape library and corresponding curriculum material on legislative issues.

Along with an independent Legischool advisory committee, the Legischool director will select - on a strictly non-partisan basis - those legislative topics most likely to stimulate interest and discussion among high school students.

A second key component of the Legischool Project will be a series of electronic town hall meetings - planned later this year - composed of teachers, students and legislators. Each meeting will be broadcast live from the State Capitol and linked through the legislature's existing interactive television hook-ups with high schools around the state.

A Sacramento-area high school class will join a member of the legislature, or - depending on the topic - a

representative of the executive or judicial branch.

"Students, both in Sacramento and in classrooms around the state, will be able to ask questions of the public officials and to engage them in conversation and discussion," said Assembly Speaker Willie Brown. "The Legischool Project will serve as a helpful adjunct to the existing textbook approach for teaching state government and should establish an engaging window on state legislative affairs for today's high school students and tomorrow's voters."

Requiring no additional public funds, the project would not have been possible without the efforts of Assemblyman Stan Statham, chairman of the Committee on Televising the Assembly - himself a former TV anchorman.

A toll-free number, 1-800-321-1966, has been established by the Center for California Studies at CSU, Sacramento, for teachers wanting more information about this innovative curriculum.

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### Composting Encouraged by S.F. Recycling

San Francisco Recycling Program (SFRP) is encouraging City residents to help the environment and reduce the waste going on in San Francisco's landfill by composting.

"Organic material is now the largest component of the waste that is taken to the landfill," said Jack Macy, organics recycling coordinator for SFRP. "More than one-third of the 1.3 billion

pounds of waste taken to the Altamont landfill each year is organic material. Much of this material could easily be composted."

In order to facilitate composting, the City, in cooperation with the S.F. League of Urban Gardeners (SLUG), is offering state-of-the-art compost bins to residents at a one-day event, Saturday October 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Sunset district at 7th and Lawton Sts. - across from the Garden for the Environment.

"Composting is a smart and easy way to address environmental problems while saving money on fertilizer, water and garbage," said Carl Grimm, education director at SLUG. "It also saves energy, reduces pollution and toxics, and helps garden and house plants thrive."

Offered on a first-come, first-served basis to S.F. residents for only \$28.50, tax included - 70 percent off the regular retail price of \$99 - the Earth Machine is ideal for composting fruit, vegetable and yard trimmings. It's the perfect size for the City's small yards and comes with a free composting book. Buyers can also attend a free composting workshop to learn how to best use the bin.

### Vista Overlook Project For McLaren Park

Traffic lanes will remain open to vehicular and pedestrian traffic during construction of the McLaren Park Vista Overlook project at Mansell St. and Visitation Ave. Scheduled for completion by February 1995, the finished project will provide a vista point area, pathways and landscape improvements.

Vista Overlook will include: a vista overlook area, leisure pathways, benches, trash receptacles, a parking area, improved contouring of the area, drought-tolerant landscaping, and guardrails and median improvements along Mansell St.



## Registration Still Possible for Job Openings In Construction at Executive Park

Although construction of the St. Francis Bay project at Executive Park is now underway, it's still possible to sign-up for job openings, according to a September 14 meeting of the complex's advisory committee. Some sub-contractors for the project have been hired, but they will be recruiting workers from the community.

### HOW TO APPLY

Call, visit or write either Visitacion Valley Community Center (VVCC), 50 Raymond Ave., S.F., 94134 (467-6400), or Young Community Developers (YCD), 1715 Yosemite Ave., S.F., 94124, providing your name, address, phone number (or message phone) and experience in construction.

VVCC and YCD are official recruiting agencies for the owners and all contractors of the St. Francis Bay project.

### FUTURE POSSIBILITIES

Tuntex USA, owners of Executive Park, are bidding on site for UCSF expansion. If UCSF locates in Executive Park, an estimated 6,000 persons could be employed. Of course, some will be scientists; but both technical and non-technical support - including lab assistants, clerical workers, janitors, gardeners, security and construction workers - will also be needed during a building phase which, if approved, could be completed by 1998. Stay tuned for further job possibility news.

## Seniors Urged to Get Flu Shots

With autumn now upon us, it's time for older Americans to take precautions against pneumonia and flu epidemics on the horizon. Cost of both pneumonia and flu shots is covered by Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) for those age 65 or older.

National Institute on Aging (NIA), American Lung Association and the Department of Veterans Affairs have launched a coordinated campaign to encourage elderly people to be vaccinated this fall. Although statistics show seniors are twice as likely as younger persons to get pneumonia, only 20 percent of those over age 65 have taken advantage of available pneumonia vaccine in the past, according to NIA.

Public Health Service recommends an annual flu shot for people over 65, even if they are generally healthy. Typically, shots are given in the fall or winter. Medicare beneficiaries do not need a doctor's prescription to have this vaccination covered by Medicare Part B. And beneficiaries do not pay a deductible or co-insurance amount.

Medicare Part B pays a reasonable approved amount for either shot. If the cost exceeds an approved amount, the beneficiary is responsible for the difference.

Generally, the cost will be paid if the vaccine is provided at a doctor's office or by a hospital, skilled nursing facility, home health agency, rural health

clinic, federally qualified health center, outpatient physical therapy provider, a comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation facility, or health maintenance organization (HMO).

However, when Medicare beneficiaries get either vaccination at a community clinic that normally provides shots free of charge to the public, beneficiaries should not be charged just because they have Medicare coverage. Medicare Part B will not pay for these shots or for vaccinations administered under a plan where an employer arranged to have free shots for all employees.

Medicare Part B pays for pneumonia and hepatitis B vaccinations when the beneficiary is in a hospital, even though the hospital stay is covered under Part A (Hospital Insurance). Flu shots are now paid in the same way.

*Social Security Administration*

## Women and Alcohol Reprint Available

If you are a woman who drinks alcohol, you need to know facts about how it affects your body and dangers it can pose. Women make up one-third of individuals abusing alcohol in the U.S., but chronic alcohol abuse exacts a greater physical toll on women than on men.

To receive a free copy of the article *Women and Alcohol*, call Chemical Awareness and Treatment Services (CATS) at 241-1199. CATS has provided quality substance abuse treatment in San Francisco since 1978.

## Smithsonian Events Coming to S.F.

The Smithsonian is coming to San Francisco - one of 10 communities in California the museum will visit as it explores the nation's cultural diversity - October 5 through 9 with a series of illustrated lectures, a seminar and a concert for families.

Based in Washington, D.C., the Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum complex, comprising 16 museums and galleries: 14 in Washington, D.C., two in New York City, and the National Zoological Park

in the nation's capital.

For ticket information, call Center for the Arts, 978-2700; Wells Fargo Bank, 396-5816; Chinese Cultural Center, 966-1822; California Academy of Sciences, 221-5100; Japanese Cultural and Community Center, 567-5505; Asian Art Museum, 668-8921, ext. 38; or M.H. de Young Memorial Museum, 750-3624. If space is available, tickets will be sold at the door one-half hour before the event.

## Asian Business League Holding Volunteer Fair At Marriott Hotel

Asian Business League of San Francisco will host a one-day fair October 3 with more than 20 participating organizations looking for volunteers to help their programs and daily activities from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel, 55 Fourth St. Services in need include: clerical support, tutoring, counseling, fundraising and computer skills. Call 788-4664 for information.

## Clavion Quartet to Play Conservatory of Music

The Clavion Quartet - Ruth Butterfield, piano; Candace Gulrao, violin; Kuri Rohde, viola; and Leighton Fong, cello - will present *Brahms' Quartet Op. 60 in c minor and Brahms' Quartet Op. 25 in g minor* Sunday, October 2 at 8 p.m. in the Hellman Hall of the S.F. Conservatory of Music, 1201 Ortega St. at 19th Ave. A \$5 donation is welcome. Call 546-8086 for information.

## Getting in Gear at the Exploratorium

Families can help construct a public art machine in a space whose walls will literally get into high gear. Gears and other moving objects can be mounted - with nuts and bolts, washers, and screws - onto a perforated metal surface specially prepared for this ever-moving, ever-changing interactive public collaboration.

Get in Gear takes place at the Exploratorium every weekend from October 1 to January 2, 12 noon to 4 p.m. It's offered in conjunction with the special exhibition *Art Machines: The Sculpture of Norman Tuck* and free with Exploratorium admission.

Exploratorium will also celebrate its third annual Halloween Family Fun Night, a safe alternative to neighborhood trick or treating for children and their parents - featuring costume contests, face painting, storytelling, personalities, movies, music, science, tricks, illusions, and craft making - Saturday, October 29, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for youth. Proceeds will benefit the Exploratorium's educational mission.

Family Fun Night is sponsored by KTVU Fox Kidstown, whose reporters will be covering the event.

## Low Cost Estate Planning Available

If you need to write or revise an estate plan - whether you are single, in an alternative relationship or married - American Heart Association (AHA), San Francisco Division will offer two sessions in estate planning: Saturday, October 29 for couples in alternative relationships and individuals who are widowed, divorced or single from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and for married couples 2 to 4:30 p.m. Both seminars, \$10 per person or \$15 per couple for either session will be held at the AHA office, 120 Montgomery St., Suite 1650.

Topics will include: how to avoid probate, roles and responsibilities of trustees, legal rights in health care decisions, estate taxes and charitable trusts. Volunteers with the Planned Giving Committee of AHA - professional estate planners - will lead the seminars. Reservations are required as space is limited.

AHA is the nation's largest voluntary health agency dedicated to reducing disability and death from heart and blood vessel diseases. Nearly one million Americans are fatally stricken each year.

For more information or to register, call Doug Cole at 433-2273.

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## High Blood Pressure

According to the American Heart Association, 35 percent of the Americans with high blood pressure don't know they have it.

## Two New Initiatives on November Ballot

By Mayor Frank Jordan

In this column, I would like to share with you my ideas on two upcoming ballot initiatives. As you know, I campaigned on a quality of life platform when I ran for mayor.

In my first two-and-a-half years in office, I have legislated against agres-

sive panhandling, put fingerprinting laws on the books to prevent double dipping in the receipt of General Assistance funds, instituted progressive sanctions for welfare fraud, instituted a 15-day residency requirement for general assistance aid and the Matrix Program as a means of enforcing the laws against obstructing sidewalks, camping in public plazas or against public soiling of the streets. All of this has been accomplished while at the same time my program for public toilets has become a reality and ATM legislation prevents solicitation of funds within 30 feet of an ATM machine.

Now, I am attempting to insure that our major streets, thoroughfares and business corridors are free from those who would lounge, sit or lie in doors and entryways in selected areas of the city.

As the argument in the Ballot Initiative Handbook states: "the presence of people sitting or lying down on sidewalks drives other people away causing shops to disappear ... neighborhoods decline. Our tax base shrinks ... and all residents suffer."

Proposition M will help keep our sidewalks and neighborhood commercial districts safe for their proper use. I hope you see the merit of this argument and support Proposition M as I do.

Another important initiative is Proposition N, the so-called mandatory rent payment measure. Currently in any shelter in the city, half of the residents have already received and spent their General Assistance payment of \$345 dollars for the month. That means money provided them for shelter has already been spent. Those interviewed have disclosed that it has gone for drugs or alcohol.

That means that money provided for shelter has been misspent. As such, the taxpayers, the client and others seeking shelter who have received no funds have been shortchanged. I am proposing to alter that through the terms of Proposition N. By its terms, the city would pay directly to the single-room occupancy hotel provider the moneys which are supposed to provide shelter, eliminating the opportunity for abuse. The money would go for the purpose it was intended. It is estimated by such a changeover that at least 500 new shelter beds would open up for those who have not been given moneys for housing.

If this makes sense to you as it does to me, please support Propositions N and M. It should be noted that neither of these measures jeopardizes the more than \$100 million we spend annually on the poor in direct services.

## FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE GRAPEVINE

OCTOBER 1989

\*Having dominated the life and landscape of Visitacion Valley since 1968, Geneva Towers faced Department of Housing and Urban Development foreclosure, according to HUD Regional Director Robert De Monte.

\*As part of an \$8.5 million grant to the S.F. Housing Authority from HUD, Mayor Art Agnos announced \$1 million would be spent to begin a seven-year overhaul of the 767-unit Sunnydale Housing Project, the City's largest public housing project.

\*About 100 young people - many of them former S.F. gang members - celebrated successful completion of the Mayor's Summer Employment Program.

\*About 100 people attended a Back to School Night and Multicultural Potluck Dinner September 26 at El Dorado School, 70 Delta St.

\*To better coordinate city services to young people, Mayor Agnos named longtime children's advocate Keith Choy as director of the newly created Mayor's Office of Children, Youth and Their Families.

\*Women of St. James Presbyterian Church scheduled November 4, 1989 for their annual Christmas Bazaar and Luncheon.

\*SFPD transferred police officers from the disbanded Muni Transit Police Division to Potrero Station.

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*Joyce Hollins & Staff*



Biotech Tomatoes Roll to Market

You might think that Chicago suburbanites and Northern Californians have little in common. But during the summer they became the first Americans able to purchase the Flavr Savr tomato, the first whole food product of biotechnology.

"Almost everyone who tastes the tomatoes ends up buying them," said Jim Corrigan, owner of the Carrot Top supermarket, which carries the Flavr Savr in the Chicago area.

What's so special about this tomato that's bringing people from Southern and Western Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana - just to get a taste?

GROWING A BETTER TOMATO

Although tomatoes are one of America's favorite produce items, when it comes to taste, they rank highest in consumer dissatisfaction.

To prevent tomatoes from spoiling on their way to market, most producers pick them when they're green and firm. They are then treated with ethylene gas - a natural ripening agent - which turns them red, but doesn't do much for taste.

Consumption of fresh tomatoes dropped 30 percent from last October to June - just about the time local, home-grown varieties are nowhere to be found, according to Calgene Inc., Flavr Savr's developers.

Biotechnology is one tool being used to address this problem.

New methods of biotechnology allow scientists to identify a gene that produces a particular trait and transfer a copy of it to another plant. Researchers are using this technique to improve methods of food production, to increase the variety and quality of foods, and to reduce agricultural impact on the environment.

Tomatoes turn soft when an enzyme called polygalacturonase (PG) breaks down the cell walls. Calgene researchers removed the gene that produces PG, copied it and reinserted the copy into the plant backwards. This

anti-sense gene cancels most of the PG enzyme production, allowing the tomatoes to soften more slowly and remain longer on the vine to develop their natural flavor - but stay firm enough to be shipped to market.

SAFETY REVIEW

Policy of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) states that genetically-modified foods will be regulated in the same way as all other foods on the market. Manufacturers have the responsibility to prove that a new food product is safe.

If any new food contains a substance that is not Generally Recognized As Safe (GRAS), it must receive permanent government approval as a food additive. Government approval is also required if the food contains an allergen or if the nutritional content has been changed.

Following this policy, Calgene consulted FDA about use of a marker gene in the Flavr Savr and filed a food additive petition. Calgene also sought an official review of the overall safety of the Flavr Savr to assure consumers that every potential safety question had been answered.

Throughout Calgene's five-year consultation with FDA, the agency reviewed data on the genes involved as well as analytical studies on the composition of the tomato, including the levels of nutrients and natural toxicants. FDA also examined the results of feeding studies and reviewed the determination by the U.S. Department of Agriculture that growing the tomatoes poses no environmental risks.

MARK OF SUCCESS

FDA also reviewed the company's food additive petition for a marker gene that helps researchers identify which plants have successfully picked up the slow-softening trait. The marker gene - called kan(r) - gives the tomato plant cells resistance to the antibiotic kanamycin. When testing for plants with the slow-softening trait, re-

searchers look for plant cells that show no response to kanamycin.

After reviewing the data, FDA determined that the kan(r) marker gene is safe for both people and the environment. Individuals will consume such extremely low levels of the gene that it will not reduce the effectiveness of the antibiotics a person might take. Furthermore, the protein produced by the gene is rapidly digested, and shows no characteristics associated with toxins or allergens.

Similar data evaluations proved to FDA that there is no risk of transferring resistance to the antibiotic kanamycin to other organisms in the environment.

In a meeting last April of its Food Advisory Committee to specifically evaluate its review of the Flavr Savr, FDA agreed it is as safe and nutritious as any other tomato, announcing its approval the following month.

"Consumers can be confident that we remain committed to assuring that foods produced by genetic engineering are as safe as food in our grocery stores today," said FDA Commissioner David Kessler, M.D.

FRESH-TASTING FUTURE

With other companies also working on varieties of slow-ripening tomatoes, one day there may be plenty of alternatives to the standard winter tomato. Consumers can look forward to other better-tasting fruits and vegetables as well. Researchers believe that the same methods used to make tomatoes tastier can be applied to such favorites as melons, peaches, bananas and papayas.

Currently only sold at a few stores in Northern California and suburban Chicago, a Calgene spokesperson said Flavr Savrs will be available nationwide in 1995.

International Food Information Council

Girls Against Gangs Share Summer Frolic

Girls Against Gangs members enjoyed a summer of picnics and thrilling river rafting, compiled on video for a special September 24 edition of their monthly cable TV program *Straight Talk with G.A.G.* which airs on City View, Channel 53.

Next show is scheduled October 22 at 8:30 p.m. Their hotline is 1-800-900-GANG.

New Restrictions For Substance Abusers Receiving Social Security

New Restrictions for Substance Abusers Receiving Social Security Benefits.

A new law recently passed by Congress is designed to tighten control of those who abuse alcohol or drugs, halting many program abuses identified in recent months while permitting payment of benefits to disabled people wanting to overcome their addictions.

Social Security Administration pays disability benefits to people whose mental or physical impairments prevent their ability to work. Drug and alcohol addictions are considered medically determinable conditions which may prevent a person from working. Claimants may collect benefits under either the Social Security disability insurance program - if they have enough prior work - or under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program if they do not.

Both programs have recently been criticized because many substance abusers collecting benefits were using their checks to buy drugs and alcohol to feed their addictions. In some instances where large back payments were made, cases were documented of addicts actually dying from overdoses. Even when payments were made to a representative payee, addicts and alcoholics found easy access to these funds by threatening or cajoling the payee.

An issue was also raised that these benefits should be tied to a treatment requirement, so addicts could be rehabilitated and eventually become self-sufficient. Under the SSI program, a substance abuser whose addiction is a contributing factor to disability must participate in a treatment program as a condition for continued benefits. But there is no such stipulation under the Social Security disability insurance program.

In response to public concern of these issues and ensure integrity of these programs, Congress has passed the following provisions:

\*SSI and Social Security Disability Insurance payments will be limited to the 36 months when substance abuse is material to the disability. The substance abuser will still be eligible for Medicare and Medicaid and any dependents (i.e. children) will still be able to receive benefits as long as the abuser continues to be medically disabled and meet all other eligibility requirements.

\*Recipients of both types of benefits will be required to participate in a treatment program, as long as it is available at an approved facility. The beneficiary must also agree to comply with the terms of the treatment and be monitored.

\*Benefits are suspended if the substance abuser does not comply with treatment. Once benefits are suspended for non-compliance, they can be restarted once the person demonstrates compliance with treatment requirements for specified periods. Once the benefits are suspended for 12 consecutive months of non-compliance, they will be terminated for good.

\*Referral and Monitoring Agency contracts will be established in each state so beneficiaries may receive appropriate treatment, monitoring and drug testing.

\*Large retroactive benefits will be paid gradually to substance abusers, except for those who have incurred debts to state general assistance programs, owe attorney fees, or are at high risk for homelessness.

\*Representative payee requirements will be extended to all beneficiaries under both programs whose drug or alcohol addictions are material to the disability. Preference will be given to social service agencies - or federal, state or local government agencies - in naming representative payees for substance abusers, unless Social Security determines a family member would be more appropriate.

\*Organizations serving as representative payees for substance abusers will be able to charge beneficiaries 10 percent of the monthly benefit or \$50 - whichever is less - for their services.

In addition, the law - due to Congress by December 31, 1995 - authorizes a study be undertaken of the receipt of benefits by substance abusers.

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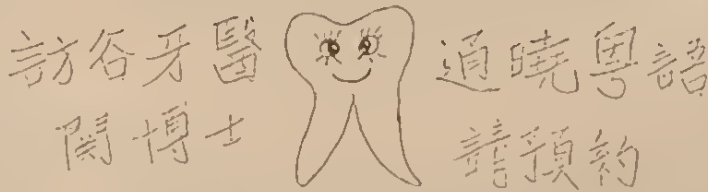
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Don't let Your Glass Go to Waste

By David Assmann  
Glass manufacturing is one of the oldest of human industries. People have been making glass for more than 3,000 years. You would expect that since we've been making glass for so long, we'd be surrounded by mountains of old glass.  
But glass - made primarily from sand, soda ash and limestone - is fortunately one of the easiest materials to recycle. Even the manufacture of new glass requires use of some used glass.  
Glass recycling, itself, is a straightforward process. Used glass bottles and jars are mixed with raw materials and heated in a melting furnace up to 2800 degrees F. Molten glass is then shaped in a forming machine and turned into new glass products.

RECIPE CORNER

BUTTERMILK CHICKEN

This is a great recipe for picnics or just eating on the patio.  
1 envelope golden onion soup mix; 1 cup unbleached all-purpose flour; 2 large eggs; 1/2 cup buttermilk; 3 lbs. chicken, cut into pieces; 1/4 cup margarine or butter, melted.  
\*Substitution: Blend 1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice with enough milk to equal 1/2 cup; let stand 5 minutes.  
Preheat oven to 425 degrees F.  
Combine golden onion recipe soup mix with flour; set aside.  
Beat eggs with buttermilk. Dip chicken pieces in buttermilk mixture, then flour mixture, coating well. Place in large shallow baking pan, on rack, and chill 30 minutes. Drizzle with butter, then bake 45 minutes or until well done.

Not only is glass easy to recycle, but can be recycled indefinitely - that glass container you used this morning might have glass in it manufactured during the Gold Rush - and it's recycled right here in the Bay Area.  
Last year, 17,000 tons of glass were recycled in San Francisco - 28 percent of the 60,000 tons of recyclable glass used in the City. While 28 percent is higher than the national glass recycling average, it still means we sent 43,000 tons of glass to our landfill.  
Glass makes up about six percent of waste we generate - nationwide, glass makes up about seven percent of the waste stream. Although glass production declined in the early 1980s - as a result of competition from plastic and aluminum containers - it is now increasing nationally by about 26,000 tons a year.  
Most glass is used for containers, with most glass beverage containers refillable until the 1960s. Milk used to be delivered in glass bottles that could be returned, refilled and used more than 30 times. Today, less than five percent of glass containers are refillable.  
A return to refillable bottles - which Sweden has successfully achieved - could save 90 percent of raw materials used in manufacture of glass bottles. It could also save energy, as it takes nearly 4,000 BTUs to make one new 12-ounce beverage container. But a 12-ounce refillable container used 10 times requires less than 700 BTU's of energy.  
Since refillable glass containers are still hard to find, the next best thing is to recycle them, which in turn reduces energy used in their production by up to 30 percent while reducing air pollution - recycled glass production produces less sulfur dioxide, carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxide - and helping preserve valuable landfill space.

Also reduced is the amount of mining waste created. For every ton of glass produced, 384 pounds of waste are created - 50 percent recycled glass reduces this waste by 75 percent.  
All glass containers - including bottles and jars - are recyclable. For curbside collection, glass containers can be put directly in your blue bin. If you live in an apartment, glass containers can be deposited in a central blue recycling bin.  
In Chinatown, glass containers are put in a paper bags out on curbs Sunday nights by 8 p.m.  
You do not need to remove paper labels - these burn off in the glass furnace.  
About 80 percent of glass containers remain intact during the collection and sorting process. Sorting separates them into three groups by color: green, clear and brown. Containers are then sold to glass manufacturers who grind the glass and size it down to be fired en masse in a furnace.  
Broken glass must be sold as mixed color residual pieces - usually to fiberglass companies in California - where they are ground into a fine powder and used for insulation.  
Use of recycled content in glass containers and fiberglass is mandated by state law requiring they contain a minimum of 25 percent recycled content, a percentage scheduled to increase by 10 percent every three years: 35 percent January 1, 1996 and 65 percent January 1, 2005. Fiberglass, must now contain at least 20 percent recycled content, but 30 percent on January 1, 1995.  
Recycling glass makes sense. It saves resources and landfill space, reduces pollution and helps provide jobs right here in the Bay Area.

RECYCLING CAMPAIGN RESULTS  
Congratulations to the more than 15,000 households in Visitation Valley, Mission, Excelsior and Bayview-Hunters Point for participating in a successful Go to Bat for Recycling program where 1,000 residents received Giants tickets.

ADVERTISE IN THE GRAPEVINE  
Per Issue: Full Page: \$150; 1/2 Page: \$80; 1/4 Page: \$45; 1/8 Page: \$25; 1/12 Page: \$15. 10 percent off six month contract. Deadline 20th of prior month.

M&M's Baking Contest Offers \$10,000 Grand Prize for Winning Dessert Video

If you love to bake, and own or can borrow a video camera, here's a golden opportunity to showcase your talents in the kitchen. Simply whip up a delicious, easy-to-prepare dessert to tickle the taste buds, capture the moment on video in three minutes or less, and you could win \$10,000.  
Aspiring bakers, age five or older, are eligible to enter the M&M's Mini Chocolate Baking Bits Create Your Own Brighter Baking Video Contest through January 15, 1995. Just submit a creative three minute video baking segment featuring your delectable edible, along with the M&M's Mini Chocolate Baking Bits package prominently displayed beside your finished baking product.  
Video entries can range from a simple cookie recipe to a more elaborate chocolate confection - the choice is yours. And of course, M&M's Mini Chocolate Baking Bits must be a key ingredient in the recipe.  
"We're excited to offer bakers a chance to create their own special recipe that's not only visually appealing, but delicious as well," said Pat D'Amato, M&M/MARS spokesperson. "The contest prizes are icing on the cake."  
In addition to the \$10,000 first prize, four second prize video winners will receive either a color television or an oven/microwave combination. And one non-video winner will receive a video camera.  
Contestants may enter any of the following video categories: Best Kid Baker, Best Individual Baker, Best Family or Group Bakers, and Best Baker with Original Recipe. There's also a non-video category: Best Original Recipe Without a Video.  
Especially developed for home baking, the new M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits are just one-third the size of the original Plain Chocolate Candies, which three generations of chocolate lovers have enjoyed since 1940. Available in 12-ounce packages - the equivalent of 1 3/4 cups - Baking Bits are now sold in the baking product sections of grocery stores and supermarkets.  
Bakers may submit as many videos of original recipes as they like, although each original recipe can be entered into only one category. All video entries will be judged on originality, creativity and clear communication of the recipe's preparation.  
In the original recipe videos - with or without a video - entries will be evaluated on originality, taste, visual appeal and ease of preparation.  
To enter, print your name, address, daytime phone number and category on an 8 1/2" by 11" sheet of paper. If entering a video category, also submit a VHS full or compact (8mm) video showing preparation of your recipe. Print your name, address, daytime phone number and category entered on the outside of your video.  
If entering the Best Original Recipe Without a Video category, print your original recipe on the 8 1/2" by 11" sheet of paper.  
Mail entries to: M&M's Mini Chocolate Baking Bits Brighter Baking, FDR Station, PO Box 5111, New York, NY 10150.  
All video entries and original recipes will become the exclusive property of M&M/MARS and will not be returned.  
To receive a copy of the official rules, mail your request, along with a

large stamped, self-addressed envelope to the above address. Winners will be notified on or about March 15, 1995.



CHOCOLATE BERRY SQUARES

1 cup butter or margarine, softened; 1/2 cup granulated sugar; 1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 large egg; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 2 cups all-purpose flour; 3/4 teaspoon baking soda; 3/4 teaspoon salt; 1 12 oz. package (1 3/4 cups) M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits; 1/2 cup seedless red raspberry jam.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a 13" by 9" baking pan with aluminum foil, extending it 1 inch beyond each end of the pan.  
In a mixing bowl, cream butter and sugars until light and fluffy; add egg and vanilla. Combine flour, baking soda and salt; add to creamed mixture until blended. By hand, stir in M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits. Reserve 1 cup dough; spread remaining dough into prepared pan. Spread jam evenly over top of dough to within 1/2 inch of edges. Drop reserved dough by teaspoonfuls randomly over the jam. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely in pan. Remove by lifting foil; cut into squares. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 40 squares.

CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

2 cups all-purpose flour; 3/4 teaspoon baking soda; 3/4 teaspoon salt; 1 cup (8 oz.) butter, softened; 2/3 cup granulated sugar; 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar; 1 egg; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits; 3/4 cup chopped nuts, optional.  
In a small bowl, combine flour, baking soda and salt; set aside. In a large mixing bowl, cream together butter and sugars until light and fluffy; beat in egg and vanilla. Gradually blend in flour mixture. Stir in M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits and nuts, if using. Drop by heaping measuring teaspoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake 8 to 11 minutes, until lightly browned. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet; place on wire cooling racks. Store in tightly covered container. Makes about 5 dozen 2-inch cookies.  
Hint: For chewy cookies, bake 8 to 9 minutes; for crispy cookies, bake for 10 to 11 minutes.  
Pan Cookie Variation: Prepare dough as for cookies; spread into lightly greased 15 1/2" by 10 1/2" by 1" jelly roll pan. Bake at 375 degrees F. for 18 to 22 minutes. Cool completely before cutting into 35 2-inch squares. For a more festive look, reserve 1/2 cup candies to sprinkle on top of dough before baking.

CHOCOLATE NUT BISCUITS

A festive twist on a traditional recipe complementing a cup of cappuccino or a dish of ice cream.  
2 cups all-purpose flour; 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon; 1/2 teaspoon baking soda; 1/2 teaspoon baking powder; 1/2 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1 cup granulated sugar; 1 large egg; 1 cup M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits; 3/4 cup chopped nuts.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a bowl, combine flour, cinnamon, baking soda and baking powder; set aside. In

a medium bowl cream together butter and sugar; add egg and mix well. Blend in flour mixture. Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits and nuts.

Divide dough in half. With floured hands, shape each portion of dough into a 2" by 12" log and place on a greased cookie sheet about 4 inches apart. Bake 25 to 27 minutes or until firm. Remove pan from oven and cool logs for 30 to 40 minutes. Slice each log into 12 pieces and place cut side down on cookie sheet. Bake for 10 more minutes. (For a softer biscotti, omit second baking.) Cool biscotti completely on rack before serving. Makes 24 pieces.

CHOCOLATE OAT MELTIES

1 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 tablespoon freshly grated orange peel; 2 cups quick cooking oats; 1 cup all-purpose flour; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 12 oz. package M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a bowl, beat butter, sugar and orange peel until light and fluffy. Add oatmeal and flour, mix until well blended. Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits. Shape dough into 1 1/2 inch balls; place about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Press balls very lightly to flatten using bottom of a glass. Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until golden around edges. Cool cookies 10 minutes on cookie sheet before transferring to plate. Store in tightly covered container. Makes about 3 dozen cookies.

CHOCOLATE PECAN SHORTBREAD

1 cup butter, softened; 1/4 cup sugar; 1/4 cup brown sugar; 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract; 2 cups flour; 1/2 cup coarsely chopped pecans; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits, divided.  
Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Reserve 1/3 cup M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits for glaze.  
Cream butter and sugars until light and fluffy; blend in vanilla. Add flour and mix only until blended.  
Dough will be stiff.  
Stir in pecans and 1 cup M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits. Press dough into 13" by 9" pan. Sprinkle top with remaining baking bits; press lightly into dough. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely. Drizzle with chocolate glaze (see following recipe). Cut into bars. Makes about 24 bars.  
Chocolate Glaze: Place reserved 1/3 cup M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits in a microwave-proof container; add 1 tablespoon milk. Heat 1 minute on high; stir until chocolate is completely melted and mixture is smooth. Pour mixture into a zipper-type plastic sandwich bag; close bag tightly, removing all air. Snip a tiny piece off one corner of the bag (not more than 1/8 inch). Holding top of bag tightly, drizzle glaze in desired pattern.

CRUNCHY PEANUT BUTTER DROPS

2 cups all-purpose flour; 1/2 teaspoon baking soda; 3/4 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1 1/2 cups chunky-style peanut butter; 1 cup granulated sugar; 1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 large egg; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 12 oz. package M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a bowl, combine flour and baking soda; set aside. In a separate bowl cream butter, peanut butter and sugars; add and

Sixth Annual Potrero Hill Festival



Chris Cobb will perform at the Potrero Hill Festival October 15.

An exciting free live program of music and dance will compliment a stellar line-up of performers, face-painting, kids' portraits, hand-made crafts and homemade food at the sixth annual Potrero Hill Festival, Saturday, October 15, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Daniel Webster schoolyard, Missouri and 20th Sts.  
Sponsored by the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House and the S.F. Arts Commission, this year's entertainment includes the Chris Cobb Blues Band, the Gospel Hummingbirds, Samba do Coracao - co-directed by Mery Doller and Fer-

nando de Sanjines - and Standard Time.  
There will be an all you can eat pancake breakfast at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, 953 DeHaro St. from 8:30 to 11 a.m. During the day, the Potrero Branch of the S.F. Public Library, 1616 20th St. hosts the 39th Annual Potrero Hill Artists' Exhibit opening reception. Throughout the afternoon, Leo's Tire Shop will again offer motorized cable car tours of the historic neighborhood and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream will have free amusement rides for kids of all ages.

Class on Domestic Violence Presented By UCSF Prevention Education Program

Reality of familial abuse and its devastating effect on women and children - presented by the UCSF Rape Prevention Education Program in recognition of Domestic Violence Awareness Month - will be presented by Sue Martin on October 6, noon to 1 p.m. at the university's Toland Hall, 533 Parnassus Ave.

Martin, a leader in the domestic violence field for 18 years and senior program specialist of the Family Violence Prevention Fund, will include materials from the fund's public education campaign. She'll be joined by a survivor of domestic violence who will talk about the impact of this crime on her life.

MARbled MOCHA DROPS

A combination of coffee and chocolate gives these cookies their special flavor.  
2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour; 1 teaspoon baking soda; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1 cup butter or margarine, softened; 2/3 cup granulated sugar; 2/3 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 large egg; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 2 tablespoons instant coffee granules, dissolved in 1 tablespoon water; 3/4 cup coarsely chopped nuts; 1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a small bowl, combine flour, baking soda and salt; set aside. In a mixing bowl, cream together butter and sugars until light and fluffy; add egg, vanilla and dissolved coffee granules. Blend in flour mixture and nuts. Remove half the dough to a small bowl; set aside. To the dough remaining in the mixing bowl, blend in cocoa powder. By hand, stir the M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits into the two doughs, using half for each. Combine the two doughs by folding together just enough to marbelize, about 4 strokes. Drop by heaping tablespoons about 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheets. Bake 10 to 12 minutes just until set.  
Do not overbake!  
Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet; remove to wire cooling rack until completely cooled. Store in tightly covered container. Makes about 2 1/2 dozen cookies.

RAINBOW BLONDES

1 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1 1/2 firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 large egg; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 2 cups all-purpose flour; 1/2 teaspoon baking soda; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 12 oz. package M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits; 1 cup chopped walnut or pecans.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (325 degrees F for glass pan).  
Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy; add egg and vanilla extract. Combine flour and baking soda. Add to creamed mixture just until combined.  
Dough will be stiff.  
Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits and nuts. Spread dough into a greased 9" by 13" baking pan. Bake 30 to 35 minutes or until wooden pick in center comes out slightly moist with crumbs. Cool completely before cutting. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 32 bars.

SUGAR COOKIE JEWELS

1 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1 cup granulated sugar; 1 large egg; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 2 cups all-purpose flour; 1 teaspoon baking soda; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 12 oz. package M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits; granulated sugar as needed.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
Cream together butter and sugar until light and fluffy; add egg and vanilla. Combine flour and baking soda; add to creamed mixture just until blended. Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits.  
Shape dough into 1 inch balls. Place on greased cookie sheets about 2 inches apart. With bottom of glass dipped in sugar, flatten dough very slightly so as not to crush baking bits. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until edges are light golden; let cool 1 minute before transferring to wire rack to cool completely. Store in tightly covered container. Makes about 4 dozen cookies.

beat until light and fluffy. Blend in flour mixture just until combined. Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits. Drop by rounded tablespoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheet; press very lightly to flatten using back of spoon. Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until light golden in color. Cool cookies 2 to 3 minutes on cookie sheet before transferring them to wire racks. Cool completely; store in tightly covered container. Makes about 5 dozen cookies.

DOUBLE CHOCOLATE FANTASY BARS

1/3 cup butter or margarine (not spread), melted; 2 cups chocolate cookie crumbs; 1 14 oz. can sweetened condensed milk; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits; 1 cup shredded coconut; 1 cup chopped walnuts or pecans.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (325 degrees for glass pan).  
In a bowl, combine butter and cookie crumbs; press mixture into the bottom of a 9" by 13" baking pan. Pour sweetened condensed milk evenly over the crumbs. Combine the M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits, coconut and nuts. Sprinkle mixture evenly over condensed milk; press in lightly. Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until set. Cool completely before cutting. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 32 bars.

GIANT PIZZAZZ COOKIE

2 cups all purpose flour; 1 teaspoon baking soda; 1 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; 1 cup M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 cup M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits; 3/4 cups shredded coconut; 1/2 cup dry roasted peanuts; 1/2 cup caramel ice cream topping.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a bowl, combine flour and baking soda; set aside. Cream butter, sugar and vanilla until light and fluffy; add flour mixture just until blended.  
Dough will be crumbly!  
Pat dough evenly into a greased 12 inch round pizza pan (a 9" by 13" pan can be substituted). Prick crust with a fork. Bake 15 to 18 minutes or until firm. In the meantime, combine M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits, coconut and peanuts. Spread warm crust evenly with caramel topping. Sprinkle evenly with combined chocolate, coconut and nut mixture; pat down lightly. Continue to bake an additional 5 minutes, or just until coconut begins to turn golden. Cool pizza completely before cutting into wedges. Store in tightly covered container. Makes 18 wedges.

JUMBLES

1/2 cup butter or margarine (not spread); 1/2 cup granulated sugar; 1/4 cup firmly packed light brown sugar; 1 large egg; 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour; 1/2 teaspoon baking soda; 1 12 oz. package M&M's Semi-Sweet Chocolate Baking Bits or 1 12 oz. package M&M's Milk Chocolate Baking Bits; 1 cup raisins; 1 cup chopped walnuts.  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.  
In a bowl, beat butter and sugar until light and fluffy; add egg. Combine flour and baking soda; blend into creamed mixture. Stir in M&M's Chocolate Baking Bits, raisins and nuts. Drop rounded tablespoonfuls of dough (1 1/2 inch balls) about 2 inches apart onto greased cookie sheets. Bake 13 to 15 minutes. Cool 2 to 3 minutes on cookie sheets before transferring to wire racks to cook thoroughly. Store in tightly covered container. Makes about 32 cookies.



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# This Month in S.F. History

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1: In 1858, the Daily Evening Telegram was established by William H. Mantz and Co. In 1964, the City's cable cars were declared a National Historical Monument.

2: In 1859, the cornerstone was set for St. Francis church in North Beach.

4: In 1978, a newly refurbished Pier 39 opened.

5: In 1875, the Palace Hotel on Market St. opened. In 1963, the Hyde St. Pier - once a major ferryboat embarkment point - reopened as a State Historical Park.

6: In 1935, eight trolley busses built by J.G. Brill of Philadelphia began running on the 33 Golden Gate Park line of the Market Street Railway, first of the City's many electric busses. In 1940, S.F. Zoological Gardens first opened.

8: In 1855, the Daily Evening Bulletin was established by C.O. Gerberding and Co. with James King of William as editor. King died seven weeks later in a famous duel with Sunday Times editor James Casey. In 1860, a telegraph line was completed between S.F. and Los Angeles. In 1865, a jolting earthquake loosened bricks and broke comices of City buildings. In 1933, Coit Tower - built with funds bequeathed by Lillie H. Coit - was dedicated.

9: In 1776, Mission Dolores was founded.

12: In 1933, Alcatraz was converted from military prison to federal penitentiary. In 1963, the bottom deck of the Bay Bridge - formerly used for Key
- System trains and large trucks - reopened with five eastbound traffic lanes.

15: In 1853, a telegraph line began transmission between S.F. and San Jose. In 1863, the San Francisco and San Jose Railroad began operating. Also that day, the first Cliff House opened.

18: In 1971, McLaren Park Amphitheatre was dedicated.

17: In 1904, the Bank of Italy - later Bank of America - was established by A.P. Giannini. In 1969, a 7.1 earthquake - strongest since 1906 - shook the Bay Area.

19: In 1968, Golden Gate Bridge toll doubled to 50 cents, collected only from southbound traffic.

20: In 1929, traffic first rolled down the Bayshore Highway.

21: In 1868, a strong earthquake shook the City at 7:53 a.m.

23: In 1853, the original St. Francis Hotel, a five-story structure at Clay and Dupont (now Grant Ave.) Sts. was destroyed by fire.

25: In 1909, the Visitacion Valley streetcar line - a one-track route with turnouts - began operating from Geneva Ave. and Mission St. to the Six Mile House at what is now Bayshore Blvd. and Sunnyside Ave. In 1913, the cornerstone of S.F. City Hall was set in the Civic Center.

26: In 1920, the Ocean Shore Railroad - never profitable with light patronage during its 14 years - ran its last train.

27: In 1966, the S.F. Bay Guardian had its first issue on the streets.

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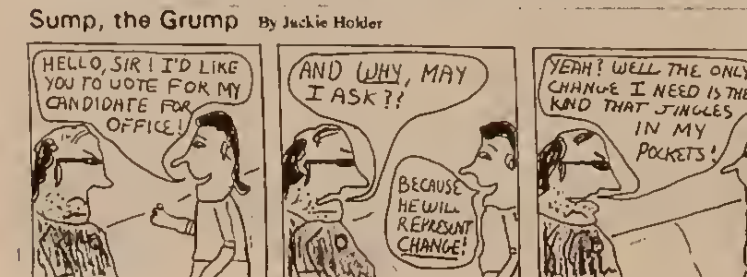
With Roger Lapham's single term as mayor nearly completed in 1947, a vigorous campaign developed. Soon taking the lead was Elmer E. Robinson, a Superior Court judge vowing "to be mayor of all downtown - big business, labor and the little man who walks alone."

Born October 3, 1894 on California St., Robinson attended public schools as a youth, graduated from law school, and was admitted to the California Bar in 1915. He worked as a deputy in the District Attorney's office until 1921, when he formed a thriving law practice before appointment in 1935 as Municipal Court judge. Robinson was appointed Superior Court judge just nine months later and elected to six-year terms in 1936 and 1942.

Winning a difficult campaign against S.F. Supervisor Chester MacPhee and State Congressman Frank Havenner, Robinson took office January 8, 1948 as San Francisco's 33rd mayor. His administration saw S.F.'s first attempt at slum clearance with establishment of a redevelopment agency and annexation of City land adjacent to Lake Merced.

Robinson was elected to a second mayoral term over challengers J. Joseph Sullivan and S.F. Supervisor George Christopher in 1951, and served as official City host to returning General Douglas MacArthur and signatories of the Japanese Peace Treaty. He was involved in planned expansion which led to opening of S.F. International Airport in 1954.

Upon completion of a second mayoral term, Robinson returned to law practice and was general manager of Woodlawn Memorial Park in Colma.



## S.F. SPCA Foster Parents Save Lives of Unwanted Pets

They had no names when they were brought to San Francisco's Animal Care and Control, the city-run shelter. But four orphaned kittens needed a miracle more desperately than they needed names. At four weeks of age, the tiny strays were still too young to be adopted. Normally, they would be euthanized, as are most puppies and kittens less than eight weeks old brought to public shelters. But in this case, a miracle was waiting in the wings - the Adoption Pact.

Aimed at reducing euthanasia in S.F. shelters to 1,900 by 1995 - and having so far saved more than 850 pets - this new agreement guarantees SF/SPCA will take in and find homes for any adoptable animals the City Shelter can't place. SF/SPCA has also pledged to take treatable animals from the City Shelter and rehabilitate them for placement.

Many treatable animals taken this summer were newborns, prompting the Society to launch a massive effort

## S.F. SPCA Spay/Neuter Program a Success

With its unprecedented offer of free spaying and neutering for all vaccinated cats in San Francisco this summer, the Spay/Neuter Clinic at the SF/SPCA went into overdrive during May, June and July drawing 1,379 unaltered felines out of the woodwork.

An astounding 6,490 animals - including many pets brought to the Clinic by their owners and shelter residents routinely altered before the SF/SPCA makes them available for adoption - were spayed or neutered in a 12-month period ending June 30. Through an ongoing program offering free surgery to wild cats of those in the City registered with the Society as feral cat colony caretakers, 469 feral cats were also altered during that period.

When construction of new quarters is completed in 1995, the Spay/Neuter Clinic and Infirmary will triple in size. Growing facilities are greatly needed to expand current programs and launch new ones - notably the Society's plan to begin spaying and neutering all City Shelter animals next year.

Why is spaying and neutering so important? It's been estimated that in the space of seven years, a single pair of unaltered cats and their offspring can produce more than 150,000 kittens. Given these numbers, it's conceivable that during the just completed fiscal year, spay/neuter programs at the SF/SPCA prevented millions of unwanted cats from being born.

## National Park Service Events

- Reservations needed for most activities.
- OCTOBER 1**
- Fort Funston**
- \*History Talk: Learn about what Fort Funston was like when occupied by the Army Coastal Artillery, and the general whose name it bears, 2:30 to 3 p.m. by meeting the ranger at the hand gliding deck. Call for directions (556-8642).
- Presidio**
- \*From Post to Park: October 1 marks one of the most symbolic events of our time - transfer of the Presidio of San Francisco from the Army to the National Park Service. Pay tribute to the Presidio's past and celebrate its future as a national park during this free public celebration including: an opening ceremony; cultural and historical exhibits at the Presidio's Main Post; walks highlighting the Presidio's history, architecture, landscapes, wildlife and coastal defense network throughout the day; tours of the Presidio Museum and new information center; and living history performances depicting Presidio and S.F. histories. Complete programs will be available at the event. Call for more information (556-0865).
- \*Living History Classroom, 1878: Learn about the daily life of soldiers and their children at the Presidio in 1878. All ages are welcome from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Children will be invited to dress up and participate in typical classroom activities of the period (556-0865).
- \*Battery Chamberlin: The last operating six-inch disappearing gun guards the Golden Gate in this 1904 Endicott-period battery. Explore underground cartridge rooms containing a photo display and equipment, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the far end of the Baker Beach parking lot.
- OCTOBER 2**
- Fort Point**
- \*Pier Crabbing: Learn about equipment, bait regulations and other important aspects of crabbing in the Bay, weather permitting, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Meet a park ranger at the Fort Point fishing pier with 50 cent bait fee (556-0865).
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- OCTOBER 8**
- Fort Mason Center**
- \*Walking Tour: Take a guided walk through this cultural and recreational facility where more than 50 arts, environmental and cultural groups utilize converted military warehouses for museums, theaters, galleries, classes and workshops. Meet at 11 a.m., Fort Mason Center Offices, Building A (441-5706).
- OCTOBER 15**
- Fort Funston**
- \*The Lupine Lady - A Children's Program: Listen to and perform stories and songs about the lupine and other native plants. Learn how a nurse operates and even get the chance to help out. Children participate in a variety of projects suited for ages 4 to 10, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Meet the ranger at the Fort Funston Native Plant Nursery (556-8642).
- Ocean Beach**
- \*Once Upon a Campfire: Join a storytelling ranger around a beach fire for tales of creation and other natural wonders. Bring marshmallows, warm clothing and a story to share, if you wish, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Meet the ranger on the beach at Lincoln Way and Great Highway (556-8642).
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- \*Mountain Lake to Fort Point Hike: Amble along the last three miles of Presidio founder Anza's route. Share thoughts on the human and natural history of this beautiful post, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. by meeting Presidio docent Bob Halsey at Mountain Lake Park. Return by Muni 28 bus (556-0865).
- OCTOBER 18**
- Fort Point**
- \*Pier Crabbing: See October 1.
- Ocean Beach**
- \*Adopt-a-Beach Clean-up Day: Bring friends and family and gloves to pitch in and help clean up Ocean Beach from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Bags are provided. Meet in the parking lot at Sloat Blvd. and Great Highway (556-8642).
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- \*Main Post Historical Walk: See October 8.
- OCTOBER 22**
- Fort Mason Center**
- \*Walking Tour: Take a guided walk through this cultural and recreational facility where more than 50 arts, environmental and cultural groups utilize converted military warehouses for museums, theaters, galleries, classes and workshops. Meet at 11 a.m., Fort Mason Center Offices, Building A (441-5706).
- Presidio**
- \*Architecture and Cultural Landscape: Examine the historic buildings and landscape on the Presidio and see how the post developed since 1776 from 1 to 3 p.m. Many styles of architecture will be seen - bring your camera! Meet the walk leader at the flagpole in front of the Main Post Officer's Club (556-0865).
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- \*Main Post Historical Walk: See October 8.
- Sutro Heights Park**
- \*Sutro Heights Stroll: Join a walking tour of the splendid park - once the home of S.F. Mayor Adolph Sutro - from 11 a.m. to noon by meeting the ranger at the Lion's Gate, 48th and Pt. Lobos Ave. (556-8642).
- OCTOBER 25**
- Land End**
- \*Rocks, Faults and Earthquakes: Enjoy a moderate 1.5 mile hike along the Coastal Trail from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to discover interesting facts about the geological processes that created the S.F. Headlands. Bring a lunch and enjoy views of the Golden Gate at Eagle Point where the hike ends. Plan time to hike back on your own. Meet the ranger at the S.F. Memorial parking lot, 48th and Pt. Lobos Ave. (556-8642).
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- \*National Cemetery Walk: S.F. National Cemetery is the final resting place of many famous and interesting people: pre-Civil War soldiers, a Union spy, an Indian scout, and 34 Medal of Honor recipients. Dress warmly and meet a walk leader at the entrance gate along Lincoln Blvd., 10:30 a.m. to noon (556-0865).
- \*On Shaky Ground: In 1906, one of America's most devastating earthquakes shook the City. Come discover what happened that early morning of April 18, and the crucial role the Presidio played in relief efforts, from 11 a.m. to noon. Meet the ranger at the entrance to the Presidio Museum (556-0865).
- OCTOBER 28**
- Ocean Beach**
- \*Beach Party Campfire: Join a ranger for an hour-long program at 7 p.m. to enjoy the beach, the waves and the night at Lincoln Way and Great Highway. Bring warm sweaters and marshmallows (556-8642).
- OCTOBER 29**
- Fort Funston**
- \*Going Native: Join the Saturday "Green Team" at the bank swallow site in north Fort Funston. In this second of three sessions from 9 a.m. to noon, learn about the bank swallow - a threatened species - and help restore its nesting site. Work is physically demanding, but thoroughly rewarding. Children welcome. Meet the ranger at the parking lot south of Sloat Blvd. on Great Highway (556-8642).
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.
- \*Main Post Historical Walk: See October 8.
- \*Pedaling the Presidio: See October 8.
- OCTOBER 30**
- Fort Point**
- \*Pier Crabbing: See October 1.
- Presidio**
- \*Battery Chamberlin: See October 1.

## Primitive Plant Garden In Golden Gate Park

Three hundred million years ago - before the age of dinosaurs - the Earth's flora looked very different than it does today. Most of the plants from that time are extinct, but some left descendants and relatives that still exist today.

Strybing Arboretum Society invites people of the Bay Area to the opening of the *Primitive Plant Garden* at San Francisco's Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens in Golden Gate Park, June 1 at noon. Featured will be special garden tours and talks by eminent botanists.

Strybing Arboretum Society provides all educational and interpretive programs for the Botanical Gardens - located at Ninth Ave. and Lincoln Way and open daily at no charge - including a 16,000 volume horticultural library, bookstore, nursery and an active volunteer program.

NEWS OR CALENDAR ITEMS TO THE GRAPEVINE SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY THE 22ND OF THE PRIOR MONTH.

## Grapevine Crossword

ACROSS

1. Abrade
4. Type
7. Residing
8. Orient
10. Under the influence
11. Finest
13. Can
14. Minimal
16. Pint (ab)
17. Electrical Engineer
18. Tree
19. Alternative
22. TV network
23. Post Office (ab)
24. Consumed
27. Oogree
30. Spin
32. Ascend
34. Artifact
35. Cerium (ab)
36. Wyatt
38. Negative
39. Granitic
40. Dispatch

DOWN

1. Rail
2. New Jersey
3. District Attorney
4. Halt
5. Decree
8. Current
9. South Carolina
12. Similar
15. Peak
20. Decay
21. Inducement
25. Inclination
26. Kid in Blondie
27. Rate of speed
28. Distinct
29. Secondhand
31. Clean
33. Each (ab)
37. Right side (ab)

Solution on Pg. 4



After School Activities, Saturday Classes And Halloween Fun at Randall Museum

On a spectacular hillside overlooking the City and San Francisco Bay, Randall Museum is a place where children of all ages can discover and create through exciting hands-on programs in the arts, sciences and natural environment. Offered are classes - both drop-in and ongoing - special events, exhibits, and live presentations and productions - all at a low cost or free. Plenty of free parking is available. Call 554-9600 for information.

AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES

This fall, Randall Museum continues to offer dynamic after school classes, including *Gizmos and Electricity* (ages 9-13), *Tell It with Video, a Storytelling and Video Workshop* (ages 8-12), *Magic in Motion* (ages 10-12) and *Marine Science* (ages 6-8) in addition to parent/child classes (ages 3-6 with an adult), teen ceramics, video classes and adult sessions. Classes begin October 4.

HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

Randall Museum's annual Halloween Festival, October 29, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. offers a wide range of Halloween activities for the whole family. Let the night time magic of the infamous *Nocturnal Gallery* thrill you. Creep through the *Haunted Tunnel*... If you dare! Other horrific happenings include skull duggery, crafts, games, pumpkin carving, face painting and a Halloween feast fit to frighten your hunger away!

Everyone is encouraged to wear a costume. A 2 p.m. costume parade will be followed by a special Halloween magic show with Mike the Magician.

Admission is free, while activities - some also free - start at 50 cents, with \$3 for pumpkin carving.

SATURDAY CLASSES

Special limited Saturday classes begin at 1 p.m., with sign-ups starting at 12:30 p.m. All ages are welcome to classes - which last one to two hours - but children under 8 should be accompanied by an adult.

\*October 1: *Spinning Tops* with Julie Willard. Have fun with physics as you feel the force of a gyroscope. Make your own spinning top that mysteriously changes colors. \$3 a person.

\*October 8: *Personal Treasure Boxes* with Leslie Yee Murata. Decorate your own treasure box with everything under the sun. Bring scrap fabric, photos and other personal treasures. \$4 a person.

\*October 15: *Paper Planes* with John Dillon. Learn to fold and fly bi-planes, helicopters, flying hoops, flying wings and more. Class will end with a *Fly-off Derby* in the Museum Theater. \$3 a person.

\*October 22: *Paper Masks* with Kemit Amenophis. A master paper artist will show how to make masks with incredible shapes, detail and design. \$4 a person.

ALSO ON SATURDAYS

\*Free Animal Talk every Saturday at 2:15 p.m.

\*Model Railroad Exhibit every second and fourth Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m.

\*Drop-in Family Ceramics Workshop every Saturday at 10 a.m.

October 1994							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
						1	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
2						8	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
1 P.M. VVCC BINGO	3	4	5	6	7	15	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
	Senior Shopping Day 11:30 a.m.	Senior Bingo 11:30 a.m. 60 Raymond	9:30 A.M. VALLEYWIDE PARENTS COUNCIL	11 A.M. VVCC SENIOR CHURCH MEETING 7 P.M. ROSES MEETING	7:30 P.M. VISITACION VALLEY ASIAN REHABILITATION ASSOCIATION	16	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
9	10	11	12	13	14	22	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
1 P.M. VVCC BINGO	COLUMBUS DAY (OBSERVED)	4 P.M. VVCC BOARD MEETING 4:30 SUNNYDALE TENANTS MEET 7 P.M. EL DONATO NBC MEETING	6 P.M. EXECUTIVE PAIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE	Senior Sewing 9:30 a.m.	Senior Painting Class 12 noon	29	10 A.M. SATURDAY ART CLASSES AT VVCC (50 RAYMOND)
16	17	18	19	20	21		
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30	31						
1 P.M. VVCC BINGO DAYLIGHT SAVINGS	Senior Shopping Day 11:30 a.m.						

Tanforan Sidewalk Sale

Tanforan Park Shopping Center, located off Highway 280 in San Bruno, will feature a *Sidewalk Sale* October 7 through 10 where more than 50 participating stores will reduce prices on selected items from 10 to 50 percent.

Hobbies and Collectibles Show for Seniors In Golden Gate Park

Senior citizens are invited to attend S.F. Recreation and Park Department's 41st annual *Senior Citizens' Hobbies and Collectibles Show*, Thursday, October 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. free at the S.F. County Fair Building at Ninth Ave. and Lincoln Way.

This two-room show includes exhibit and sale of a wide variety of crafts made by S.F. seniors, food, entertainment, raffles, bargain shopping and fun for the entire family. For more information, call 666-7025 or 666-7036.

訪谷區鄰居中心 Saturday Art Program 星期六青少年藝術班

at VVCC 每班免費參加

50 Raymond Avenue - upstairs Ballroom/Studio.

All Saturday Art Class activities are free.

手藝 Arts & Crafts 11:00-1:00		照相 Photography 10:00-2:00		畫 Water Color & ... 12:00-2:00	
Saturday 9/24	Drawing & Painting Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 畫畫 老師	Registration for Fall term. Introduction to the darkroom. Rayograms. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. 登記 老師		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. 畫畫 伍女士	
Sunday 10/1	Bookmaking Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做一本書 老師	Pinhole cameras. Intro to cameras & shooting pictures. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. 教用照相機 老師		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. 水彩畫 伍女士	
Saturday 10/8	Wood Sculpture Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做木具 老師	Developing film. History of Photography. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. 洗照相 老師		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. 字畫 伍女士	
Saturday 10/15	Tin Picture Frames Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做書架 老師	Printing first photographs & discussion. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. 印照相 老師		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. :	
Saturday 10/22	Halloween Masks. Plaster/guaze Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做鬼節面具 老師	Planning photography project. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. :		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. :	
Saturday 10/29	Decorative Masks (see 10/22). Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做鬼節面具 老師	Work on project. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. :		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. :	
Sunday 11/5	Clay Teacher, Mrs. Debie Faulner. 做泥手藝 老師	Work on project. Teacher, Ms. Kim Wood. :		Drawing and Painting and calligraphy for young children. Teacher, Mrs. Ng. :	

VVCC Senior Program Offers Weekly Activities

VVCC Senior Program, located at 68 Raymond Ave., offers the following regular senior activities, scheduled weekly except holidays.

\*Monday: On the *Free Shopping Day*, a van leaves the Senior Center at 11:30 for shopping excursions to supermarkets and other large stores.

\*Tuesday: *Senior Bingo* from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

\*Thursday: *Sewing* from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\*Friday: *Painting Class* from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

There will also be an outing to Marine World for seniors October 21. For further details, call VVCC Senior Program Director Pat Crocker at 467-4499.

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FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

OCTOBER

1: Julie Andrews (1939); Jean Arthur (1908); Tom Booley (1927); Jimmy Carter (1924); Richard Harris (1943); Ted Healy (1896); Walter Matthau (1920); George Peppard (1928); Randy Duaid (1950); Omar Sharif (1932); Stella Stevens (1936); James Whitmore (1921)

2: Bud Abbott (1905); Charley Chase (1903); Alfred Dumont (1889); Michael Dunn (1934); Groucho Marx (1900); Spanky McFarland (1928); Rex Reed (1938); Sting (1951); Tiffany (1971)

3: Gertrude Berg (1899); Chubby Checker (1941); Ruth Gordon (1896); Warner Dland (1880); Madelyn Rhue (1934); Dave Winfield (1951); Thomas Wolfe (1900)

4: Rutherford B. Hayes (1822); Clinton Davis (1945); Charlton Heston (1924); Buster Keaton (1896); Patti LeBelle (1944); Susan Sarandon (1948); Lori Saunders (1941); Tocci Brothers (1977)

5: Chester Allen Arthur (1830); Bill Dana (1924); Glynnis Johns (1923); Allen Ludden (1919); Steve Miller (1943); Donald Pleasence (1919); Jimmy Ritz (1905); William Tabbert (1921)

6: Britt Ekland (1942); Janet Gaynor (1906); Carole Lombard (1909)

7: June Allyson (1917); Gabriel Oell (1919); Andy Devine (1905); Alfred Drake (1914); John Mellencamp (1951)

8: Rone Barrett (1936); David Caradine (1936); Chevy Chase (1943); Paul Hogan (1939); Jesse Jackson (1943); Bela Lugosi (1882); Sigourney Weaver (1949)

9: Jackson Browne (1950); John Lennon (1940); Joe Peipione (1940)

10: Helen Hayes (1900); Martine Navratilova (1956); Alan Rachine (1927); David Lee Roth (1955); Tanya Tucker (1956); Ben Vereen (1946)

11: Daryl Hall (1948); Earl Hyman (1926); Ron Liebman (1937); Jerome Robbins (1919); Eleanor Roosevelt (1884); Roy Scheider (1835); Steve Young (1961)

12: Susan Anton (1950); Kirk Cameron (1970); Dick Gregory (1932); Luciano Pavarotti (1935); Adam Rich (1968); Will Rogers, Jr. (1912)

13: Lenny Bruce (1925); Laraine Day (1920); Yves Montand (1921); Marie Osmond (1959); Nipsey Russell (1924); Paul Simon (1941); Carrie Snodgrass (1938); Margaret Thatcher (1925); Cornel Wilde (1915); Damond Wilson (1946)

14: Harry Anderson (1949); Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890); Lillian Gish (1896); Ralph Lauren (1939); Roger Maris (1928); Roger Moore (1927)

15: Fritz Feld (1900); Linda Lavin (1937); Penny Marshall (1945); Jean Peters (1926)

16: Michael Conrad (1927); Barry Corbin (1940); Linda Darnell (1921); Judd Houldren (1915); Angie Lansbury (1925); Tim McCarver (1941); Suzanne Somers (1948); Oscar Wilde (1854)

17: Sam Bottoms (1955); Montgomery Clift (1920); Beverly Garland (1926); Rita Hayworth (1918); Margot Kidder (1948); Evel Knievel (1938); John Marley (1916); Michael McLean (1947); Arthur Miller (1915); Tom Poston (1927); Irena Ryan (1903); George Wendt (1948)

18: Chuck Berry (1926); John Boles (1895); Peter Boyle (1933); Leo G. Carroll (1992); Pam Dawber (1951); Mike Ditke (1939); Jesse Helms (1921); Minam Hopkins (1902); Joe Morton (1947); George C. Scott (1927); Inger Stevens (1934)

19: Jack Anderson (1922); John Lithgow (1945); Robert Reed (1932); Simon Ward (1941)

20: Dr. Joyce Brothers (1929); Art Buchwald (1925); William Christopher (1932); Arlene Francis (1908); Grandpa Jones (1913); Tom Petty (1953)

21: Carrie Fisher (1956); Dizzy Gillespie (1917); Peter Graves (1911); Joyce Randolph (1925)

22: Constance Bennett (1905); Joan Fontaine (1917); Annette Funicello (1942); Catherine Deneuve (1943); Jeff Goldblum (1952); Derek Jacoby (1938); Timothy Leary (1920); Christopher Lloyd (1938)

23: Johnny Carson (1925); Diana Dore (1931); Hayden Rorke (1910)

24: Kevin Kline (1947); David Nelson (1938); *Weird Al* Yankovic (1950)

25: Billy Barty (1924); Barbara Cook (1927); Anthony Franciose (1929); Tracy Nelson (1963); Minnie Pearl (1912); Helen Reddy (1942); Julie Roberts (1967); Manon Roes (1928)

26: Pnmo Carnera (1906); Jackie Coogan (1914); Bob Hoskins (1942); Francois Mitterrand (1919); Pat Sajak (1947); Jaclyn Smith (1948); John Vickers (1926)

27: Jack Carson (1910); John Cleese (1939); Ruby Dee (1924); Lari Enckson (1911); Nenette Fabray (1920); Simon LeBon (1958); Sylvia Plath (1932); Theodore Roosevelt (1858); Tareasa Wright (1918)

28: Jane Alexander (1939); Charlie Daniels (1936); Dennis Franz (1944); Jackie Holder (1955); Telle Hopkins (1948); Jack Soo (1915)

29: Fanny Bnce (1891); Richard Dreyfuss (1947); Kate Jackson (1948); Melba Moore (1945); Jack Pearl (1895); Wilnone Ryder (1971)

30: John Adams (1735); Grace Slick (1939); Harry Hamlin (1951); Louis Malle (1932); Henry Winkler (1945)

31: Barbara Bel Geddes (1922); John Candy (1950); Dale Evans (1912); Lee Grant (1929); Michael Landon (1937); Jane Pauley (1950); Dan Rather (1931)

SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING COMMISSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY EXPANSION ON TUNNEL AVENUE

Regular Meeting, October 4, 1994, 7 p.m. Korean Presbyterian Church 120 Lathrop Ave., San Francisco

Review of existing hazardous waste operations- what is proposed to change? Health Risk Assessment Presentation

Further Information: 558-6319, or Don Bertone, Chair: 467-9669

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Geneva Towers

From Page One

derstanding - including an improvement plan for the Valley - listing contributions from the City as well as HUD to improve Visitacion Valley. In September, a federally-required disposition plan for Geneva Towers was released for a 30-day public comment period.

In the memorandum of understanding, HUD will:

- \*Provide relocation assistance for present residents of Geneva Towers;

- \*Provide Section 8 vouchers to residents to help pay for new housing while they continue to pay 30 percent of income for rent;

- \*Maintain a listing of Geneva Towers residents so that their right to return to replacement housing is secured;

- \*Provide Project Based Section 8 subsidy for up to 50 percent of the 300 replacement family housing units, and all 100 units of senior housing;

- \*Continue to work with the City and the VVTF in planning for the Valley and its economic development;

- \*Assist in job development and preparation for low and very low income residents in the neighborhood, while providing economic development assistance to local businesses;

- \*Notify the private industry Council that the agreement has been signed so that before construction activity occurs at Geneva Towers and the surrounding neighborhood, the PIC can create a pool of job applicants;

- \*Ensure all bid documents for HUD-assisted construction contain a plan to hire 30 percent of the workforce from the designated pool of applicants; and

- \*Collaborate with other agencies to target economic development programs toward the area.

HUD will also work with the Housing Authority to ensure increased security protection at Sunnydale, while continuing to fund its rehabilitation at \$54 million.

In the agreement, the City will: build replacement housing, improve public safety, continue and improve social services, and assist in the economic development of Visitacion Valley while improving Sunnydale and ensuring compliance with civil rights - including accessibility for the disabled.

In building replacement housing, the City agreed to:

- \*Purchase 150 Britton St. at \$1.5 million for future affordable housing;

- \*Locate and obtain a site for 50 to 100 units of senior housing and a center providing services to seniors of Visitacion Valley;

- \*Locate and obtain a site for 300 family units located in Visitacion Valley;

ley; and

- \*Guarantee preferences for Geneva Towers residents with newly-constructed housing.

To improve police services in the Valley, the City will revise service boundaries so the entire area will be covered by the closest police station located in the Bayview. An on-site 24-hour center with patrol personnel will be implemented before occupancy of replacement housing occurs, with a separate working group handling crime at Geneva Terrace. There will also be City collaboration with residents and owners to make Visitacion Valley a drug free community.

To continue and improve social services, the City will:

- \*Continue Public Health services at another accessible location;

- \*Continue daycare services by a city

Valley Library

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When asked about the importance of providing various materials at the library, telephone survey respondents gave strong preference to reference materials, such as encyclopedias and almanacs and books for children and teenagers. More than half of respondents also felt it critical or very important to provide magazines, newspapers, and how-to books for personal information, and books in non-English languages.

In contrast, non-users of the library system most frequently stated they had no need to visit the library or received information elsewhere. Other reasons frequently cited were that people were too busy, or were new to an area.

Commission of African American Males Hearing

California Commission on the Status of African-American Males will host a public hearing October 1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Southeast Community Facility, 1800 Oakdale St. This will be fifth in a series of hearings having been held across the state focusing on exemplary programs in California that serve African-American males.

"The Commission is in its final phase of data collection for its exhaustive study on the conditions of African-American males in California," said Assemblywoman Barbara Lee. "A review, description and critical analysis of those successful programs for young African-American males will constitute a significant component of this study."

purchase or construction of a new daycare facility;

- \*Check feasibility of purchasing a building for use as a social service/employment training center as recommended by VVTF; and

- \*Work with the S.F. Unified School District in establishing a community beacon school at Visitacion Valley Middle School to include programs such as social services, recreational services and career counseling.

In improving the economic develop-

ment of Visitacion Valley, the City plans to:

- \*Develop a detailed economic development plan for the Valley in conjunction with the VVTF, funded by the CDBG;

- \*Ensure economic development opportunities are made available to residents and local businesses, with the City Human Rights Commission documenting good faith efforts in achieving a 30 percent goal of Valley trainees, employees contractors and subcontractors;

tractors;

- \*Enter into agreements with building trades and labor organizations to create partnerships to facilitate achievement of the above goals; and

- \*Provide \$6 million in CDBG funds in the next five-year period to fund above activities and make community improvements.

Future Housing Authority in lieu of taxes will not be collected by the City to help ensure economic viability of the S.F. Housing Authority.

Questions on Relocation

Following are questions recently asked concerning the proposed relocation of Geneva Towers residents.

Q: Can a family's move be scheduled at a time not conflicting with the school year?

A: This will be determined by availability of housing, not by HUD. If a family is able to arrange with a new landlord to hold a unit until school is in recess, it is acceptable to HUD.

Q: Can a person move into subsidized housing without using a voucher? What preference will be given Geneva Towers residents?

A: A person can put their name on the waiting list for another subsidized development any time they wish, whether or not they have a voucher. They will also have a federal preference for acceptance to the subsidized development because they are being relocated due to government action. This will not put them in with other people who have a federal preference near the top of the overall waiting list. Persons with vouchers can relocate anywhere in the United States. Their voucher will be transferred to the appropriate housing authority for their benefit.

Q: Do seniors have to move to senior housing?

A: No. Seniors may move to family housing if they wish; however, seniors are only eligible for a one-bedroom unit.

Q: Will there be compensation for life disruption?

A: This is not a usual federal relocation benefit. However, it is being investigated. HUD will do what it can to accommodate the situation.

Q: Can people stay in Geneva Towers until the new housing is built and then move into the new housing?

A: This is a possibility being investigated.

Q: What is meant by affordable housing? Will there be housing for people at the income level now in Geneva Towers?

A: Affordable is meant to include people at various income levels from middle income down to - and including - very low income people now at Geneva Towers. Current residents will have priority moving into new replacement housing and will be provided with similar rental assistance as they now have.

Q: How does HUD plan to address the fact that there is not enough housing in the local area to accommodate an influx of people from Geneva Towers?

A: This will be addressed in whatever housing alternative is chosen. HUD realizes there is a shortage of housing in the immediate area. A relocation coordinator will assist residents in finding housing, but it may not always be in the immediate vicinity of Geneva Towers. Also, vouchers are flexible and can be used in other cities and states.

Q: Can HUD work with Midway housing to build additional low-income housing in the area?

A: Midway is public housing in San Mateo County. Replacement housing to be constructed in Visitacion Valley will be equal or exceed quality of Midway.

Q: Do seniors have to move to a studio?

A: No. They will be entitled to a one-bedroom apartment. Through an agreement with the Housing Authority, however, a senior may select a studio, if so desired.

Q: Do residents have to move to public housing?

A: No. A voucher is used in privately-owned housing, or housing sponsored by non-profit organizations. It is not for use in public housing. It can be used to rent an apartment or a house. A voucher is also good at subsidized developments.

Q: Do vouchers limit where a person can go?

A: No. A person can move anywhere in the United States. Housing authorities have reciprocal agreements for the transfer of funds for vouchers across state lines.

Q: Do tenants pay first and last month's rent to the new landlord?

A: No. The Housing Authority will not allow landlords to charge first and last month rents. The Housing Authority guarantees the payment of rent and repairs when an individual leaves a unit; therefore, there is no need to collect first and last month rents. This will be explained to a landlord by the Housing Authority staff.

Q: Can letters of reference be given residents to help them get into another unit? This would be helpful to people who may have bad credit, or have filed for bankruptcy in the past but are current in their rent.

A: Yes, the management company will give residents letters of reference; but only on specific items, such as whether a person is current on their rent or how they maintained their unit. HUD can not address any reputation or stigma that may be attached to Geneva Towers.

Q: Can people who are not now on the lease move in and make use of a voucher?

A: Anyone who is on the lease at the time the voucher is issued will be housed under the voucher. HUD cannot authorize the issuance of vouchers for people who arrive later, unless due to birth.

Q: Is there a time limit on vouchers?

A: Normally there is. However, special vouchers are earmarked for residents of Geneva Towers. A voucher will not be issued until a person has found other housing. This gets around the usual 60-day extension for a voucher.

Q: Can residents be paid more than \$60 for house hunting, as many do not have a car and transportation will be expensive?

A: A relocation specialist will assist with transportation. HUD may use a van to take people to various locations. If adequate information is provided proving \$60 is not enough, it may be possible to increase the amount.



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